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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Matsumoto et al.  
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 Examiner: Unknown  
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 Title: WET-TYPE COMPACTING METHOD FOR POWDER,  
 PRODUCTION METHOD FOR SINTERED POWDER  
 COMPACT, SINTERED POWDER COMPACT, AND  
 APPARATUS USING SINTERED POWDER COMPACT

**RESPONSE AND OBJECTION TO ERRONEOUS NOTIFICATION  
 OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

Attention: Box PCT  
 Commissioner For Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Notification Of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 dated 07 May 2002 incorrectly states that the declaration filed with the application did not properly identify the application by the International application number and international filing date.

Applicant respectfully objects to the requirement to file another declaration based on the following:

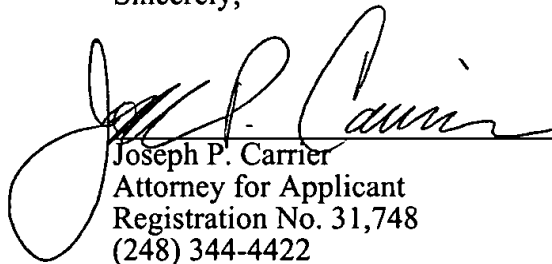
Applicant respectfully submits that the page 2 of the original signed declaration document, which was filed concurrently with the application on 20 February 2002, clearly stated all of the prior foreign documents, including the International PCT/JP01/02783 filed on 30 March 2001. Enclosed is a reduced copy of the signed declaration as filed with the application.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Notification Of Missing Requirements as required.

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.


Sincerely,

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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Assignee Statement
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Preliminary Amendments

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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